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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

This is in response to the nonfinal Office Action mailed  
July 1, 2005. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view  
of the amendments and remarks following.